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For: **DOCUMENT MODIFICATION APPARATUS AND IMAGE PROCESSING  
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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR §1.136**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR §§1.17 and 1.136, Applicants hereby petition for a three-month extension of time to respond to the Office Action dated April 19, 2004. The statutory time period for reply was set to expire on October 19, 2004. A check for the required extension-of-time fee of \$980.00 under 35 C.F.R. §1.17(a) is enclosed.

If extensions of time other than those provided herewith are required to allow consideration of papers accompanying this Petition, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned. The Commissioner is specifically authorized to charge fee deficiency or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 14-0112.

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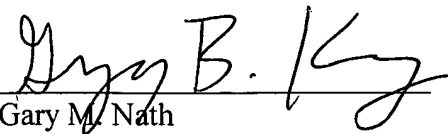
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